Music Ensemble Scholarship Guidelines

To be eligible for a music ensemble scholarship a student must have been accepted for admission to IWCC at the time the award is accepted.

To receive a music ensemble scholarship a student must be enrolled as a full-time student at IWCC (12 credit hours or more per semester of enrollment), must maintain full-time status for the duration of the award, and must complete no fewer than 24 credit hours during the academic year. Awards may be awarded for part time status and will be adjusted.

Audition/Award Process

- Music Scholarships are awarded based on a student’s performance of a scholarship audition before an approved panel of music faculty.
- Opportunities for scholarship auditions include the following in rank of preference by the music faculty:
  - Live, on-campus auditions on regularly scheduled audition dates,
  - Individually scheduled live auditions both on and off campus,
  - Auditions by DVD as approved by the music faculty
- Students who have auditioned for music scholarships will receive written notification of a scholarship award along with the scholarship guidelines. The student must return the letter indicating acceptance of the award and an understanding of the guidelines for the award to be made.
  - The guidelines that the student receives will be a simplified version of this document, containing information that pertains directly to the award.

Distribution

- Awards for one semester will be distributed in the appropriate term.
- Awards for an academic year will be divided into two semester payments; half in the fall and half in the spring. Faculty reserve the right to withhold the spring scholarship amount for not meeting the renewal requirements.
- The maximum scholarship amount a student may receive in one semester is $2000.

GPA requirements

- All scholarship awards will require a college-wide cumulative GPA of 2.0.
- All scholarship students’ GPA will be checked at the end of each semester to ensure compliance with the GPA requirement. Any scholarship student who does not meet the minimum GPA will be ineligible for any music scholarship in the following semester.

Ensemble Participation

- Scholarship students will be expected to participate actively and productively in ensembles within their areas of expertise. If a scholarship student drops from (or refuses to participate in) the required
ensembles, that student’s scholarship may be reduced or revoked completely at the discretion of the music faculty.

**Renewal**

- Scholarships are awarded for a maximum of two years (four semesters) and do not include summers.
- Extension of a scholarship beyond the two-year maximum would be under special circumstances only and at the discretion of the music faculty.
- During the spring semester scholarship students must re-apply if they wish to continue their scholarship for the following year. The student will complete a Music Scholarship Continuation Application which must be submitted to the Art’s Center office no later than May 1. The music faculty will then determine whether to continue, increase, decrease, or discontinue the scholarship. Criteria for making these recommendations will include:
  
  - Ensemble participation and performance:
    - Reliability and attitude during rehearsals
    - Preparation for rehearsals
    - Quality of performance on concerts
  - GPA
    - Minimum cumulative average of 2.0 college-wide
    - Grade of B in each ensemble